

FACILITIES IN SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK

Giant Forest Area

GIANT FOREST SEQUOIA GROVE

6400' (1950m) elevation. Home of the world's biggest trees, it offers 40 miles (64 km) of walking, cross-country skiing, or snowshoeing trails. See highlights on page 6.

- **Giant Forest Museum (NPS):** Daily 9am-4:30pm. Exhibits about the Big Trees. Books, maps, first aid. 1-559-565-4480. No payphone; closest are at Lodgepole & Wolverton (don't rely on cell phones).

CRYSTAL CAVE - REOPENS NEXT MAY

One of the highlights of the park! Be sure to return for a summer tour.

Lodgepole Area

LODGEPOLE VILLAGE

6700' (2040 m) elevation. A few miles north of Giant Forest, in beautiful Tokopah Canyon along the Marble Fork of the Kaweah River.

INFORMATION (NPS)

- **Wilderness Permits:** Required for backcountry overnight trips. Self-issue outside on the front of the visitor center. See page 4 for details. 1-559-565-3766.
- **Visitor Center:** Closed until spring. Exhibits on geology & forest life; books; maps; first aid.

PAY TELEPHONES

- **In Lodgepole Village:** Outside visitor center & market (cell phone signals are usually poor).

FOOD & SHOPS (DNCPR) - Closed until spring:

- **Lodgepole Market, Gift Shop, & Laundry:** Reopen 4/3-5/2 10am-4:30pm; then 9am-6pm.
- **Snack Bar:** Reopens 5/3/08 for weekends only, 9am-5:45pm.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Post Office:** Weekdays 8am-1pm & 2-4pm. 1-559-565-3678. Lobby with stamp machine open 24 hours. Address mail to visitors: c/o General Delivery, Sequoia National Park, CA 93262.
- **Lodgepole Campground (NPS):** Open all year. Details on page 11.
- **Showers (DNCPR):** Closed; reopen 5/3/08, 9am-1pm & 3-5:45pm.


WUKSACHI LODGE & DINING ROOM

7200' (2160 m) elevation. Open year-round 4 miles (6.4 km) north of the General Sherman Tree. The center for lodging, food services, and cross-country ski & snowshoe rentals in Sequoia Park. Be sure to check the schedules for weekend walks or talks with rangers!

PAY TELEPHONES: Downstairs at the main lodge. Cell phone signals are usually poor.

FOOD, SHOPS & LODGING (DNCPR) - Hours increase late May.

- **Dining Room:** Daily: 7:30-9:30am; 11:30am-2:30pm; 5-8:30pm. Dinner reservations required. Box lunches available. 1-559-565-4070. Lounge daily 4:30-8:30pm.
- **Gift Shop:** Daily 8am-8pm. Film, souvenirs, crafts, clothing, snacks.
- **Wuksachi Lodge:** See page 10 for details. Front desk 24 hours.
- **Alta Market & Ski Shop:** Ski & snowshoe rentals & food: Daily 10am-6pm downstairs in the lodge 11/9/07-4/30/08 (opens 9am when there is enough snow to ski on). Hot & cold drinks, snacks, food, snowplay equipment & toys for sale.

**Delaware North Companies
Parks & Resorts
and the
National Park Foundation
have made it easy for Wuksachi Lodge
guests to contribute to these parks.
Ask about the Guest Donation Program
when you check in!**

Wolverton Snowplay Area

Sledding hills two miles (3.2 km) north of the Sherman Tree. After storms, it may take several hours for plows to open the area.

- **Be safe & considerate!** Every year we see very serious injuries. Safety tips: Use devices that are steerable. Don't sled or ski into roads. Steer clear of trees, rocks, people, and other obstacles. See safety information on page 5.
- **Cross-country skis & snowshoes** are rented, and snowplay gear, snacks, and hot drinks sold at Wuksachi (see left column).
- **Snowplay is prohibited** in park residential areas, the Sherman Tree Trail area, and other areas as signed.
- **Pay telephone** is outside the building next to the restroom building. Dial 911 in emergencies. Cell phone signals are poor.

Foothills Area

500-3500' (457-1067 m) elevation. Oaks, chaparral, & river canyons; hot summers & snow-free winters; & the greatest biological diversity in these parks. Park headquarters is at Ash Mountain.

- **Visitor Center (NPS):** Daily 8am-4:30pm. Exhibits, books, maps, bear canisters, first aid, local wilderness permits. 1-559-565-3135.
- **Potwisha Campground (NPS):** Year-round. Details on page 11.
- **Pay Telephones** (cell phone signals are usually poor): Foothills Visitor Center near front door, Potwisha Campground, Hospital Rock Picnic Area (on restroom wall).

Mineral King Area

*The road to this area is closed
November 1 through late May.*

NOTE: Mineral King Road is gated at the park boundary (about 9 miles from Highway 198). With a permit from the Foothills Visitor Center (see hours above), visitors can get permission to go through it. You can only go as far as the old winter gate, another 8 miles up (weather permitting). The end of the road is 8 miles beyond that.

7800' (2380 m) elevation. A subalpine valley at the end of a steep, narrow, difficult road. When it is open, no RVs, buses, or trailers, please. No electricity or gas; no drinking water in campgrounds in fall.

- **Ranger Station (NPS):** Closed for season. Self-register for wilderness permits on the porch.
- **Pay Telephones:** Cold Springs Campground, Sawtooth parking area. Cell phone signals are usually poor.
- **Silver City Mountain Resort:** Closed through late May. Cabins, chalets, bakery, showers, small store (gifts, limited supplies & ice; no gasoline or fishing licenses), restaurant. Pay telephone. 1-559-561-3223; winter 805-528-2730; www.silvercityresort.com.
- **Camping (NPS):** No RVs or trailers. Details: page 11.

FREE NATURE PROGRAMS IN SEQUOIA PARK

**Usually offered on weekends and holidays.
Ask at visitor centers and see local bulletin boards
for times, locations, and topics.**

IN THE GIANT FOREST & WUKSACHI LODGE:

Rangers may offer walks and talks from late December through early April, Snowshoe walks are offered once enough snow falls, (snowshoes provided free). Group size is limited; make reservations at any visitor center or call 1-559-565-4480. Snowshoeing may be strenuous and difficult for small children. Not enough snow? Look for alternate programs.

IN THE FOOTHILLS:

Starting in March, watch for weekend wildflower walks.